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Sir:

The following remarks are being submitted prior to
examination in connection with the above-identified
application submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claim 1 is pending, and is independent.

Submitted herewith is a claim for priority,
acknowledgement of which is respectfully requested.

Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure
Statement, consideration of which is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 of the present continuation application is a
revised version of original claim 1 of application Serial No.